

The Irish Glen of Imaal Terrier Sporting Club of Ireland

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Welcome to our newsletter No 4. We hope our previous three were of interest to you. We welcome your comments (good or bad) and any interesting information, which we will gladly publish.

ANNOUNCEMENT

Our **next show is due to take place on March 18th 2007**

Judge: Miss E.C. Murphy (Dublin)

Venue: Dollanstown Stud, Kilcock, Co. Kildare

(For directions see at the last page of the newsletter)

Prior to this show practice classes will be arranged as follows:

(A) Exhibiting , (B)Weight-pulling and (C) Shorework

So do come along and get some practice in before “ the real thing”.

This service is provided free of charge also the club organized a Professional dog groomer giving a demonstration how to groom your Glen



CURRENT NEWS

AGM 2006

Once again we had an excellent annual general meeting on October 2006, although there was a slight drop in attendance, compared with the previous year. The weather on the day was atrocious and this no doubt did not help. However things went very smooth on the night.

There have been some changes in the committee due to many factors. The Officers and Committee are as follows:

Officers

President: George O’Sullivan(Cork)
Chairperson: Ian Mc Culloch (Meath)
Secretary/Treasurer: Eamon Dobbyn (Cork)
Hon. Auditor: George O’Sullivan (Cork)

Committee

Mrs Paddie Conway (Dublin)
Mrs Mary Elliot (Wicklow)
Mr Neville Elliot (Wicklow)
Ms Linda Christie (Meath)
Mr Colin Kavanagh (Dublin)
Mrs Elline Kavanagh (Dublin)

Membership

This now stands at 287. We have just failed to reach the 300 mark, but who knows what is in store for us in the new year.

Affiliation

This is still “on going” and when we hear from the I.K.C.(good or bad news) members will be informed.

Subscription Increase

Due to the high costs of postage we reluctantly have to increase our annual subscriptions. Our new rates are as follows:

Single Adult €7 *previously* €5

Joint Adult €10 *previously* €8

Juniors (under 18) €2 *previously* €2

These new rates are effective from 1st January 2007. Members who have paid their subscriptions early or in advance – the old rate is acceptable.

Membership Cards

Plastic membership cards will be issued to fully paid up members early in the year. This will highlight your payments to date.

Photos of August 2006 Club Show

After the A.G.M. we had a very interesting slide presentation on our Club Show held last August at High Cross Inn, Moone, Co. Kildare. This was a very interesting event and the photos highlighted some very interesting items not seen at the show by all. This slide show lasted about one hour and was very entertaining and interesting. You can buy the CD of photos for €5 from Ian McCulloch – sportingglens@yahoo.ie

Additional Prefixes

Cross Guns Phillip & Mairead O’Sullivan (Cork)
Bailielands Ms Maria McNeill (Roscommon)
Ravencroft Ms L. Christy (Meath)
Rathanny Dennis Kavanagh & Pauline Moran (Carlow)

Internet (www.irishsportingglens.com)

The club will be launching it's website in early February and would like to invite all its members and friends to visit the site. All comments, suggestions and submissions will be greatly appreciated to sportingglens@yahoo.ie.

Due to the expense of postage we would prefer to email our newsletter to as many members as we can, we understand that not all of our members will have access to email and they will continue to receive their newsletters via post. Could all members that have access to email, please mail their details (name, address and IKC registration numbers) to sportingglens@yahoo.ie so we can update our database.



Obituary

It is with regret that we record the death of an old time Glen man from Baltinglass, Co.Wicklow named Joe Mc Hugh. Joe died recently after a fall at his home. He was a highly respected Glen Judge in the seventies and eighties. He judged many Glens and other terrier breeds during this time. He once judged a Club Show and attracted about 30 Glens.

I understand he originated from Co. Donegal but moved to Baltinglass and was a great friend of the late Tom Malone (Senior) of Maronmoor fame. Both Tom and Joe married sisters. Perhaps he acquired his Glen knowledge from Tom Malone (Sen.).

We extend out deepest sympathy to Joe's wife and family. May he rest in peace.



Club Show 2006

No doubt the highlight of our year was our First Club Show held at High Cross Inn, Moone, Co. Kildare on 13th August 2006.

The venue was outstanding as was the Judge Mr Phillip O'Sullivan. "Crossguns" of Carrigaline, Co.Cork.

The entry of **fifty six** Glens far exceeded our expectation. The weather too was very kind to us, as we had a beautiful day. The show committee and helpers did a marvelous job, as the whole process was done in four weeks. Our sponsors also played a major role in making this show and outstanding success.

Show results

Puppy Bitch Rathganny Glenda / Denis Kavanagh
& Pauline Moran

Puppy Dog

First Feohanagh Bryan / Michael O'Reilly

Best Puppy Feohanagh Bryan / Michael O'Reilly

Maiden Bitch

First Knockroe Ivy / Tony Devine

Second Goldie of Knockroe / Trevor Moody

Third Ballyfoyle Glendalough / Linda Christy

Maiden Dog

First Cregane Lad / David Walsh

Second Knockroe Faugh a Beallach / Colin Kavanagh

Best Maiden Knockroe Ivy / Tony Devine

Junior Bitch none

Junior Dog

First Feohanagh Bryan / Michael O'Reilly

Second Ravencroft Jack / Linda Christy

Best Junior Feohanagh Bryan

Novice Bitch

First Millie / Peter Killeen

Second Bailielands Bonny / Ger Woone

Third Knockroe Ivy / Tony Devine

Novice Dog

First Teddys Lad / Roger Mortimer

Second Mutley / Peter Killeen

Third Cregane Lad / David Walsh

Best Novice Millie / Peter Killeen

Open Bitch

First Millie / Peter Killeen

Second Treerout Muirne / M.& N.Elliot

Third Knockroe Ivy / Tony Devine

Open Dog

First Wicklow Lad of Gerrardstown / I. McCulloch

Second Bailielands Bruce / Marie McNeill

Third Treerout Begley / M.& N.Elliot

Best Open Millie / Peter Killeen

Veteran Bitch

First Ir. Ch. Blue Lass of Loran at Treetrout / M.& N.Elliot

Second Buttons Bracken / Madeline Baudin

Veteran Dog Buchaill Deas / R. Mortimer

Best Veteran Ir.Ch. Blue Lass of Lauren at Treetrout

Best Bitch in Show Millie / Peter Killeen

Best Dog in Show Feohanagh Bryan / Micheal O'Reilly

Best in Show Feohanagh Bryan

Weight Pulling

First Knockroe Faugh a Belalach / Colin Kavanagh

Second Millie / Peter Killeen

Third Buttons Bracken / Madeline Baudin



Shore Work

First Ir. Ch. Blue of Loran at Treetrout / M.& N.Elliot

Second Treetrout Muirne / M.& N Elliot

Third Teddy's Lad / R. Mortimer

Crazy Corner

Two Terriers usually met at the local bar a "Bit of Doggy Craig". One dog was an Irish Terrier named Mick and the other a Glen of Imaal Terrier Named Glen. At one such meeting their conversation was as follows:

Mick: You look very down and out tonight, Glen. What is wrong?

Glen: I don't really know. I feel very depressed. I can't understand why?

Mick: Why not go and see a Psychologist.

Glen: I can't.

Mick: Why not?

Glen: Because I'm never allowed on the couch.



Glen Trials before 1966

In Newsletter No 2 we highlighted how to make our Glen an Irish Champion. We detailed the Green Star system and the point's value. We now highlight the system up to 1966. The system was as follows: To make up an Irish Champion a Glen had to gain 16 Green Star points at shows. In addition a Glen had to qualify in the following working tests.

(A)Under Water Test : This usually took place in a brook or stream.

A pipe projecting over the water source was erected.

A live rat was released through the pipe and forced into the water. At this point a dog was released down the pipe to chase rat in the water and on the opposite bank and kill if possible.

Points awarded as follows

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| a) follow and hunt rat in water | 10 Points |
| b) hunt rat on opposite bank/water edge | 25 Points |
| c) take to water without inducement | 40 Points |
| d) kill rat | 25 Points |
| total | 100 Points |

(B) Over ground test: consisted of rabbit hunting details will be given in a later newsletter

(C) Underground test: consisted of Badger extraction – details in later issue

Note A and B counted as minor trials – TEASTAS BEAG

While C was a major trial – TEASTAS MISNEACH

Letters to the editor

Mr. Ian McCulloch sent us the following contribution which reached us from Ms Colleen Dougherty, California, U.S.A.:

As the proud owner of an Irish import Glen, I am honored to provide you with tales from the United States. This past December, the Eukanuba National Invitational brought the top twenty-five dogs from each breed to Long Beach, California. This was the second year that Glens competed at Eukanuba. There were twelve Glens from all over the United States that competed for the coveted title of National Champion. One of the top 25 present, I am proud to say my sweet girl, CH. Gerrardstown Maiden Fair, CGC, was born in Ireland and bred by Ian McCulloch. Also present was a spectacular young Glen bred in the UK by Jean Rogers.

This annual show is a treat for American Glen owners as we rarely have the opportunity to meet each other because of the distance between us. Glens and owners traveled from Florida, Washington, New York, Pennsylvania, Colorado, and California. The line up was impressive. Mrs. Robert S. Forsyth, a long renowned all breed judge, was faced with a difficult challenge in choosing her Best of Breed, Best of Opposite Sex, and three Award of Merit winners. Three of the Glens competing were from the same parents so there was a nice sense of consistency. As usual, the Glen ring was surrounded by a very supportive crowd cheering everyone on. In the end, Judge Forsyth chose CH Jeonty Gunner McGee ("Gunner") bred by Jean Rogers, owned and handled by Terry Maxfield, as her best of breed.

CH Rainbow Springs Dermot RN, CH Finnabair's Rocket's Red Glare, and CH Finnabair's Roisin of

Tipperary. Surrounded by the top terriers and handlers in the country, Gunner and Terry represented the best about the breed and were one of the few owner-handlers in the group. As the Best of Breed winner, Terry and Gunner received a two year qualification to show at Crufts. Please welcome Terry to Birmingham



as she tells me that she plans on showing Gunner at Crufts in 2008. We are so proud to have such a great group of Glens and a greater group of friends. I have not even touched upon the Meet the Breeds booth demonstrating the soon-to-be accepted sport of Strongdog. Perhaps next time. Please join us next year for sun, sand, and Glens in Long Beach, California.



Crazy corner 2

A person in search of a Glen of Imaal Terrier in Co. Wicklow could not believe his luck when he noticed a "Glen of Imaal Terrier for sale" sign outside a house near Baltinglass. He knocked on the door where the "for Sale" sign was displayed and was met by the owner, who invited the caller to go to the dog run, have a look at and a chat with the dog and decide if he wished to purchase it. The caller was greeted by the dog, who proclaimed he could talk with anyone in most languages. He bragged that during his show career he was best in show at Crufts, Dublin and the World Championships. He sired many champions. He also bragged that he was employed at Government level for sniffing out drugs and also solving murders by locating the murder weapon. He further stated that he was engaged in spying for the police by listening to suspects stories when in custody. As dogs were dumb animals and would not be suspected of spying. The caller was delighted with this remarkable dog's ability and offered to purchase him and asked the owner to quote his price. The owner quoted £5. The would-be buyer asked: Why so cheap? The owner replied: Sure his is the greatest liar in County Wicklow . Everything he says is a "pack of lies".

Directions to the Show

Venue: Dollanstown Stud, Kilcock, Co. Kildare.

From the M50 take the M4 West Motorway past Lexlip, Maynooth, and take the exit for Kilcock. When you go over the bridge on the Canal into the town you will see the Church in front of you, at the Church turn right into the square in the centre of Kilcock, turn left, the Sign Post reads "Dunboyne 15km, Dunshaughlin 18km". As you leave the square you will pass The Ulster Bank on you right, over a little hump bridge. After(1/2) half a mile you will come to an ESB station on your left, go strait on over an other little hump bridge, (do not turn right at the ESB station) continue on for (3/4) three quarters of a mile, Dollanstown Stud is on your right.

Sunday 18th March 2007

There will be a grooming and training demonstration starting at 11am before the Judging, Weight Pulling and Shore Work.

VERY IMPORTANT NOTICE

- 1) ALL ENTRIES MUST BE FULLY PAID UP CLUB MEMBERS FOR 2007
- 2) ALL IRISH GLEN OF IMAAL TERRIERS ENTERED FOR THE SHOW MUST BE IRISH KENNEL CLUB REGISTARD
- 3) ONLY DOGS ENTERED IN THE SHOW WILL BE ALOWD ON THE SHOW GROUNDS



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